(b) what is the book value of this stock during these years;

(c) whether this value has been taken while computing profit/loss figure of Coal India Limited; and

(d) what is the actual realisable value of the stock and what is the process of evaluating the realisable stock?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) The pithead coal stocks of Coal India Limited as on 31.3.92, 31.3.93 and 31 3.94 are given below:

(million tonnes)

As on	Coal stocks
31.3.92	.. 47.64
31.3.93	..50.10
31.3.94 (Provisional)	.. 49 69

(b) to (d) The value of coal stocks in Coal India Limited for the year 1991-92 and 1992-93 was as under:

Value of Coal Stocks.

(Rs. in crores)

As on	Value
31.3.92	Rs. 1404.69
31.3.93	Rs. 1660.64

The value of Coal stocks as on 31-3-94 will be known after the audit for financial year 1993-94 is completed. The value of stocks has been taken into account while computing Profit/Loss figure of Coal India Limited in the respective years.

According to information furnished by Coal India Limited the coal stocks at year end are valued at, net realisable value based on the actual realisation on the despatch of coal during the last quarter of the year; or at selling price of declared grade; whichever is lower. Further a provision of 1.5 per cent of value of production during the year is made towards deterioration in quoity.

Top level posts lying vacant in Coal India Limited

779. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAM CHANDRA JAICHKAR:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) how many top level posts are lying vacant under the Coal India Limited;

(b) what are the reasons therefor;

(c) what steps Government have taken to ensure that these posts are filled; and

(d) whether some posts are being abolished and if so; the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) In the subsidiaries of Coal India Limited two posts of Chairman-cum-Managing Director three posts of Director (Technical) and two posts of Director (Finance) are presently lying vacant.

(b) and (c) The Board level posts are filled as per the prescribed procedure and appropriate actions to fill up the vacancies have been taken.

(d) No; Sir. At present there is no proposal for abolition of any Board level post.

Rationalisation of coal linkage

780. SHRI M A. BABY:
SHRI RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state: